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**SUBJECT: MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING – 2**

**TOPIC – STANDARD COSTING**

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# STANDARD COSTING

- **DEFINITION**

**Cecill Gillespie**, “predetermined operating cost computed to reflect specified quantities, prices and level of operation.”

- **According to CIMA (England),**

Standard Costing is defined as, “preparation and use of standard costs, their comparison with actual costs and analysis of variances into their causes and points of incidences.”

# **OBJECTIVES OF STANDARD COSTING**

- **To Establish Control:**
- **To Set Standards for Various Elements of Cost:**
- **To Fix Responsibility:**
- **To Make Budgetary Control More Effective:**

# **MERITS OF STANDARD COSTING**

- **Elimination of the weakness of Historical Costing**
- **High Lighting of Variances**
- **Inexpensive Operations**
- **Incentive Schemes**
- **Facilitate Comparison**
- **Quicker Reporting**
- **Production and price policies**
- **Promotes Efficiency**
- **Basis of Stock Valuation**
- **Basis of Inventory Valuation**
- **Cost Consciousness**
- **Useful for Tenders**
- **Co-operation and Co-ordination**
- **Saving in Cost**

# LIMITATION OF STANDARD COSTING

- **Determination by the Experts**
- **Necessity of Budgetary Control**
- **Determination of Standard Cost is Difficult in this age of Inflation**
- **Unsuitable in some Industries**
- **Moral of Employees Lowered**
- **Controllable and Uncontrollable Variances**
- **Lack of reliable standards**
- **Duplication**

# STANDARD COSTING AND BUDGETARY CONTROL

	Standard Costing	Budgetary Control
1	Standard Costing deals with standards of cost of each product and for each elements of cost.	Budgetary Control determines target for various departments.
2	Standard Costing is intensive.	Budgetary Control is extensive.
3	Standard Costing is limited to the production function and cost of production is sought to be covered by it.	Budgetary Control are usually prepared not only for production function but all activities and functions of business such as production, sales, purchases, capital expenditure etc.
4	Standard Costing fixes standard for expenses.	Budgetary Control covers both expenditure and income.
5	Standard Costing fixes the targets which are attainable. Thus, it shows the extent to which costs can be reduced.	Budgetary Control fixes the limits of expenses, beyond which the expenses should not rise.
6	In Standard Costing, Variances whether favourable or unfavourable are investigated.	Budgetary Control techniques looks into the matter only when expenses exceed the budgeted figures.
7	In Standard Costing, Variances are analysed through various accounts to which they relate.	In Budgetary Control, variances are revealed in total.
8	Standard Costing takes recourse to technical assessment. It determines scientifically what the cost of output ought to be.	Budgetary Control are generally based on past figures adjusted for future trends.

# **STANDARD ABSORPTION COSTING AND STANDARD MARGINAL COSTING**

- **STANDARD ABSORPTION COSTING**
- **STANDARD MARGINAL COSTING**

# STANDARD SETTING

- **Type of Standard**
  - Ideal Standard
  - Normal Standard
  - Basic Standard
  - Expected Standard
  - Historical Standard
- **Length of the period of use**
- **Attainment Level**



# **SETTING OF STANDARDS**

- **DIRECT MATERIAL**
- **DIRECT LABOUR**
- **FACTORY OVERHEAD STANDARDS**

# COMPUTATION OF VARIANCES

## MATERIAL VARIANCES

SR.NO.	NAME OF VARIANCES	FORMULA OF VARIANCES
1.	Material Cost Variance	$(SQ \times SP) - (AQ \times AP)$
2.	Material Price Variance	$AQ (SP - AP)$
3.	Material Usage Variance	$SP (SQ - AQ)$
4.	Material Mix Variance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SM and AM quantity are equal.</li> </ul> $SP (SM - AM)$
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SM and AM quantity are equal.</li> </ul> $SP (RSM - AM)$
5.	Material Yield Variance	$SC (AY - SY)$
6.	Material Sub-Usage Variance	$SP (SM - RSM)$

# COMPUTATION OF VARIANCES

## LABOUR OR WAGES VARIANCES

SR.NO.	NAME OF VARIANCES	FORMULA OF VARIANCES
1.	Labour Cost Variance	$(SH \times SR) - (AH \times AR)$
2.	Labour Rate Variance	$AH (SR - AR)$
3.	Labour Efficiency Variance	$SR (SH - AH)$
4.	Labour Mix Variance	$SR (RSH - AH)$
5.	Labour Yield Variance	$SC (AY - SY)$
6.	Revised Labour efficiency Variance	$SR (SH - RSH)$

# COMPUTATION OF VARIANCES

## OVERHEAD VARIANCES

SR.NO.	NAME OF VARIANCES	FORMULA OF VARIANCES
1.	Variable Overhead Variance	$(SR \times AP) - AC$
2.	Variable Overhead Expenditure Variance	$AH (SR - AR)$
3.	Variable Overhead Efficiency Variance	$SR (SH \text{ for } AP - AH)$
4.	Fixed overhead Variance	$(AP \times SR) - AC$
5.	Expenditure Variance / Budget Variance	$BC - AC$
6.	Fixed Overhead Volume Variance	$SR (AQ - BQ)$
7.	Fixed Overhead Efficiency Variance	$SR (AQ - RSQ)$
8.	Fixed Overhead Capacity Variance	$SR (RSQ - BQ)$
9.	Fixed Overhead Calendar Variance	$SR (RBQ - BQ)$

# COMPUTATION OF VARIANCES

## SALES VARIANCES

SR.NO.	NAME OF VARIANCES	FORMULA OF VARIANCES
1.	Sales Value Variance	$(AQ \times AP) - (SQ \times SP)$
2.	Sales Price Variance	$AQ (AP - SP)$
3.	Sales Volume Variance	$SP (AQ - SQ)$
4.	Sales Mix Variance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SM and AM quantity are equal.</li> </ul> $SP (AM - SM)$
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SM and AM quantity are equal.</li> </ul> $SP (AM - RSM)$
6.	Sales Sub-Usage Variance	$SP (RSM - SM)$